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To: Linda Waldrup in Aubrey Patterson's office, BancorpSouth
From: Kelly Riley, Policy Liaison
Date: May 14, 2001
Subject: May 16, 2001, 9:30 a.m. Leadership Summit on Higher Education
Press Conference

Lisa Mader, our Director of Communications, is out of the office, but asked that I contact you regarding Wednesday's 9:30 a.m. press conference to announce the Leadership Summit on Higher Education. The Governor will open the press conference and then recognize Mr. Patterson for his remarks. Mr. Patterson should speak from the private sector's perspective as to the importance of the summit and the importance of higher education on Mississippi's workforce. Rich Novak of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges will also speak. I am attaching a copy of the "talking points" that Rich Novak forwarded to me so that Mr. Patterson may get a feel for the tone of the press conference.

Ms. Mader will brief all participants in the Governor's Office on the third floor of the capitol at 9:20 a.m. and everyone will then walk downstairs to the second floor rotunda for the actual press conference at 9:30 a.m.

As we discussed on the phone, I am attaching a "status report" of the responses we have received to the invitation to serve on the Steering Committee. I will be calling those persons who have not responded.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 601-359-2528 if you or Mr. Patterson have any questions or require any additional information. Thank you again for your assistance!